

## Human rights commission 01/26/21

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Consider Invitation to Police Chief Michael McClelland to attend the next regular meeting of the Human Rights Commission scheduled for March 9, 2021:

### **Questions we have prepared for the meeting with the chief:**

How do you feel we can help you get to know this community better?

What kind of civic/ charitable activities were you involved with in Aurora?

What was your reaction to the protests in Aurora?

What was your view about whether racism played any role in how the Aurora PD interacted with Aurora citizens?

Do you feel that the arrest of Elijah McClain was executed in a professional and ethical manner?

Do you feel that this type of restraint should be used by police officers?

How do you think Grinnell citizens should think about those protests?

Did the protests make you think differently about your work in any way?

How do you plan to connect with mental health providers in order to approach this issue in a more proactive, vs reactive, manner?

### **Concerns that have been voiced:**

- Nothing concrete has been voiced but people are more concerned about the lack of input made available to the public in the hiring process.
- Many felt that information on how to participate in the hiring process was not made very available.
- People are concerned about the police chief's past work experience and how the department/he responded to the situation.
- We need clarity on the situation; we would like to give him the opportunity to respond.